Regional Forester Review - Region 6 Emergency Fire Suppression Activities in Inventoried Roadless Areas (IRA) 2018

Background: On May 31, 2012, the Chief of the Forest Service reserved the authority to review all projects involving road construction or reconstruction and the cutting, sale, or removal of timber in IRAs. The Chief delegated to Regional Foresters the authority to review "Any necessary timber cutting or removal or any road construction or road reconstruction in emergency situations involving wildfire suppression, search and rescue operations, or other imminent threats to public health and safety in inventoried roadless areas."

For Forest's considering timber cutting and/or road construction/reconstruction during emergency situations as described above, please immediately contact the Regional Forester's Office. The Regional Forester will review the proposed timber cutting and/or road construction/reconstruction during emergency situations in the IRA with the appropriate line officer in accordance with the Chief's direction. Please note that this is a yearly requirement until informed otherwise.

As soon as practical, please provide the following information to Debbie Anderson, Region 6 Roadless Coordinator (<u>danderson01@fs.fed.us</u>) for tracking purposes:

Name of Forest/District:

Fire Name/Estimated Size:

IRA affected (name and estimated size of IRA):

Action(s) taken in the IRA (describe emergency operations that occurred - ex: miles of dozer line or hand line constructed; estimated number of hazard trees felled, etc.):

What actions were taken to minimize the effects to the IRA?

Briefly describe any other information about the emergency fire suppression activities that might be relevant: